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Letter dated 24 May 2016 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

In my capacity as President of the Security Council, I am forwarding to you a letter dated 16 May 2016, from the Chair of the Working Group of the Security Council on Children and Armed Conflict established by Council resolution 1612 (2005) based on the Working Group's conclusions adopted on 2 March 2016 (S/AC.51/2016/1) (see annex).

(*Signed*) Amr Abdellatif **Aboulatta**
President of the Security Council

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Annex

Letter dated 16 May 2016 from the Chair of the Working Group of the Security Council on Children and Armed Conflict addressed to the Secretary-General

At its 55th meeting, on 6 July 2015, the Working Group of the Security Council on Children and Armed Conflict examined the third report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict in Afghanistan (S/2015/336), covering the period from 1 September 2010 to 31 December 2014. At its 57th meeting, on 2 March 2016, the Working Group adopted its conclusions on children and armed conflict in Afghanistan (S/AC.51/2016/1).

In follow-up to the recommendations of the Working Group and subject to and consistent with applicable international law and relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1612 (2005), 1882 (2009), 1998 (2011), 2068 (2012), 2143 (2014), 2250 (2015) and 2255 (2015), I am entrusted, in my capacity as Chair of the Working Group, to:

(a) Request you to ensure that the country task force on monitoring and reporting in Afghanistan and other relevant United Nations agencies continue their engagement and efforts to support the Government of Afghanistan to address violations and abuses committed against children in armed conflict;

(b) Recognizing the importance of monitoring and reporting of violations and abuses against children, request you to ensure the continued effectiveness of the monitoring and reporting mechanism on violations and abuses against children in armed conflict in Afghanistan, especially in areas most affected by conflict;

(c) Request you to continue to give priority to the child protection activities and capacity of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan and to continue to include in future reports information and analysis on children and armed conflict in Afghanistan, in line with relevant Security Council resolutions.

(*Signed*) Ramlan Bin **Ibrahim**
Chair
Security Council Working Group
on Children and Armed Conflict